OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: SIMMONS FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: STATUS OF INVITATIONS FOR STATE TEAM TO CHARLOTTE, NC, CONFERENCE

DATE 9/28/00CC: FILE

Here is the status of invitations at this point for participation on the state's team:

Accepted

- Roy Hart, Director of First Steps, Department of Health
- Carol Burnett, Office of Children and Youth, DHS
- Dr. Cathy Grace, MSU's Early Childhood Institute
- Julia Washington, Operation Shoestring
- John Hale, Pearl River Valley Opportunities (Head Start)

Declined, but suggested substitute

- Dr. Susan Rucker, Director of Instructional Development, MDE asked if her staff member Judy Couey could attend in her place and reported that Couey often does this when she is unable to attend and is very good about sharing info w/ Dr. Rucker
- Dr. Bill McHenry, IHL, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs he suggested Dr. Marinelle Payton, Director of JSU's School of Public Health

Declined

• Representative Charles Young (he will be out of town that week)

Waiting to hear from

- Dr. Susan Buttross, UMMC's Child Development Clinic
- Lynn Master, Head Start Coordinator, MDE
- Billy Night, Singing River Educational Association (Head Start)

Assuming these three we are waiting to hear from do attend, that will give us 8 confirmed team members. The National Committee will assume lodging and travel expenses for ten members of the team. Please advise as to our inviting Judy Couey (substitute for Dr. Susan Rucker) and/or Dr. Marinelle Payton. Also, will you be attending the entire conference or only with the Governor on the 18th?